

SOCIALLY CRAFTY

We meet every 3rd Monday of the month, except Bank Holidays
in St John the Baptist Church, Stone **10.30am - 12.30pm**

Our next meeting is Monday 19th February

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

There is no commitment to come every month

INTRODUCING 'LITTLE WRIGGLERS'

We are planning to start on **Thursday 18th April 2024 at 9.00am!**

It isn't too late to get involved. Please still get in touch

naominz@hotmail.co.uk

Thanks again Leaders - *Naomi, Jo and Anne*




SPRING BOOK SALE

SATURDAY 24th FEBRUARY

The Methodist Chapel in Eythrope Road
10:00am to 4:00pm

Tasty refreshments all day and hundreds of books at rock bottom prices
All proceeds for Florence Nightingale Hospice


And you can collect your pumpkin seeds and entry form for the
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SJB Congregation

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Sunday 18th February



Notices for the week

Our church is a member of the Wychert Vale family of churches

Services today

9:00am **MATINS** led by David Pickup

10:30am **FAMILY WORSHIP** with **EXPLORERS**

led by Richard Smith

The theme of this service is 'Teach us how to pray'

Readings: Luke 11:1-13

A prayer for the season of Lent



God of our journey,

*as we walk with you on your path of obedience,
sustain us on our way and lead us to your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

Services next Sunday

10:30am **FAMILY COMMUNION** led by Rev'd Phil Groves

Dates for your diary

Tue 20th Feb 11:00am **CAFÉ IN THE PARK** in the Jubilee Pavilion
Tue 20th Feb 7:30pm **CHOIR PRACTICE** resumes at the Chapel
Thur 22nd Feb 8:00pm **SJB MEETING** (venue on the agenda)
Weds 28th Feb 12:00noon **FUNERAL SERVICE FOR CAROLE FRYER**
Sat 2nd Mar 10:00am **CAFÉ IN THE PARK** in the Jubilee Pavilion

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Luke 11:1-13

Jesus' teaching on prayer

11 One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

2 He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

"Father
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come

3 Give us each day our daily bread.

4 Forgive us our sins,
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.
And lead us not into temptation."

5 Then Jesus said to them, 'Suppose you have a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; **6** a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, and I have no food to offer him."

7 And suppose the one inside answers, "Don't bother me. The door is already locked, and my children and I are in bed. I can't get up and give you anything."

8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give you the bread because of friendship, yet because of your shameless audacity he will surely get up and give you as much as you need.

9 'So I say to you: ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. **10** For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

11 'Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? **12** Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? **13** If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'



Lord, teach us to pray.

As we enter Lent – a time of discernment and reflection,
help us to listen to you in prayer.

May we know that though we can discern your will through scripture and reason

there is no replacement for the simplicity of speaking and listening.

Teach me, O Lord, how to talk with you.

Amen

(adapted from a prayer from the www.allwecan.org.uk resources)

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Bishop Alan Wilson

We are sad to announce the passing of the Rt Revd Dr Alan Wilson, Bishop of Buckingham. A pray by Bishop Steven Croft can be found here:

www.stonedintonhartwell.com/news

Lent study course

LIVING IN THE WAY OF LOVE

This is a series of five weekly group Bible studies exploring what it is to live as a follower of Jesus.

You are warmly invited to join one of our small groups both of which are meeting in private homes in Stone:

Wednesdays 1.30pm - 51 Eythrope Road

Wednesdays 7.45pm - 40 Beacon Close

The first meetings are on **Wednesday 21st February**

If you would like to join a group or want further information please email Canon Phil on drphilgroves@gmail.com or ring him on 01296 748390

Survey on the Bishopstone Road path through the churchyard

We are hoping to improve the path from Bishopstone Road to the church porch. The architect has measured the area and unfortunately, we can't make a fully disabled compliant slope, but they have given us 2 options which we could do and we would like your views. **There are plans in the church porch if you would like to look at them.**

Please help us by completing a survey which can be found by each entrance path and in the church porch. You can also now access the survey online at

www.stonedintonhartwell.com/news/

The survey will close at the end of this month so please make sure you do not miss the deadline



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

FRIDAY 1st MARCH

2 p.m. @ METHODIST CHAPEL

This year's service has been in preparation by Christian women in Palestine over the past three years and is sadly relevant to the ongoing tragic situation in their country.

As in previous years the whole Service is printed in booklet form with narration, prayers and individual's stories to be read.

SO... VOLUNTEER READERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED!

Please contact SUE SPINKS (01296 748369) if you feel able to take part THANK YOU

We will join our prayers with thousands of others around the globe

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